

GOET'S CORNER.

To Rosie, aged three years.

DEAR bud, that thy blossomin' destroyed the parent rose ;
My ain wee darlin' bairnie, whae'er wad suppose That I, wha hated ye see then, wad lo'e ye noo weel.

That gairn pur stam'rin', tremblin' tongue the half

I canna tell.

An' when beneath the flowerin' aed I laid thy mither's form.

An' thecht that naethin' e'er could mak' this stane-cald bosom warm.

My bonnie rodin' wife, ye little ken I wot,

How muchie love warms to my breast your win-

some ways ha' bro'l.

They tiny arms aboot my neck ha' been a chain fu'

strang.

To hand me cleasly to the right, to steer me frae

the wrang ;

They wee sum' lips aginst my ain in baby kisses

sweet,

Hae given purpose to a life that, else, were incom-

plete.

An' noo I tak' it in my loof—this life, lang syns

me bright ;

This life that seemed but yesterneen, was clad wi'

mirk midnight,

An' giv' es it a thine earthly lot a happy ane to mak'.

Bath for thine ain, my wee Birdlin, an' for thy

mither's sake.

Bloomfield, N. J., Sept. 20, 1872. W. N. C.

OUR CARCANET.

THE MANNER of conferring benefits is often as material as the benefits themselves—Blair.

INTEGRITY is the foundation of all that is high in character. Other qualities may add to its splendor; but if this essential requisite be wanting all their lustre fades.

IT IS NOW POVERTY so much as pretence that harasses a ruined man—the struggle between a proud mind and an empty purse—the keeping up of an empty show that must soon come to an end. Have the courage to appear poor, and you disarm poverty of its sharpest sting.—Washington Irving.

Thou must be true thyself
If thou the truth would teach ;
Thy soul must overflow

If thou another heart would reach ;

It needs an overflow of heart

To give the lip full speech.

Think truly and thy thought

Will the world's famine feed.

GUILT may attain temporal splendor, but can never confer real happiness.

ETERNITY OF THE DERRY.—It is duration without beginning or end; existence without bounds or dimensions; present without past or future. His eternity is youth without infancy or old age; life without birth or death; to-day without yesterday or to-morrow.—Written by a Deaf Mute.

AFTER DINNER.

BARNUM may be expected soon to exhibit the following collection of extraordinary individuals :

The man who was so tall that he had to go up a ladder to shave himself !

The man who was so strong that his sneeze would kill a buffalo across the Mississippi river !

The artist who painted a snow-storm so naturally, that he caught a bad cold by sitting near it with his coat off !

The man who was so used to being blown up by his wife that the explosion of a steamer, in which he was passenger, had no effect upon him !

WANTED—Cook's situation, in a small family, with a pleasant kitchen, one window looking out on the street, hot and cold water and all conveniences, by a young lady with very good recommends. The lady of the house makes the pies and puddings. I always keep the key of the store-room and receive company evenings. Any place well recommended. Apply to me, Miss Tweney, Greeley street, near the Corner.

A MEDLEY.

Thirty spoons, two dusters, the tail of a pig, a dirty jack towel, a dish cloth and rag ; a foot of stocking, three caps and a frieze ; a hawk and six buttons, a mouse-trap and quill, a comb and a thimble, with madonna bands, a box of specific for chaps on the hands ; some mice and some clover, tied up in a bag. An empty thread paper, and blue in a rag. Short pieces of ribbon, both greasy and black. One griddle and nutmeg, the key of the jack ; An inch of wasp-well, a steel nail and a flint ; A bundle of mattocks, a parcel of mint. A lump of old soap, a cup for the paste, a pair of red garters, a belt for the waist ; A rusty, bent skewer, a broken brass clock. Some onions, and tinder, and the door lock. A bag for the pudding, a whetstone and string. A penny cross bun, a new curtain ring ; A print for the butter, a dirty chesune. Two pieces of soap, a large piece of cheese, Five turnips, and a large lump of roses. The feet of a harp, and works by the dozen ; A card to tell fortunes, a spool of silk in a can, a pan without ink, a small patty pan. A rolling pin pasted, a common prayer book. Are things which I found in the drawer of our cook.

A LITTLE four-year-old beset his mother to talk to him and say something funny. "How can I?" she asked : "don't you see how busy I am, baking these pies?" "Well, you might say, 'Charlie, won't you have a pie?' That would be funny for you."

A small little fellow was intrusted to the care of an uncle, who fed the boy very poorly. One day he happened to see a greyhound, whereupon he asked the little fellow if he knew what made the dog so poor. The reply was : "I expect he lives with his uncle."

A wag, speaking of a blind wood-sawyer, says that "while none ever saw him see, thousands have seen him saw."

WHAT can a man have in his pocket when it is empty ? A big hole.

A degree is not inappropriately termed the chief pillar of society.

What effect do flour-mills have upon a town ? Make it flourish.

A snow in a Western city announces, Boots blacked inside."

Good potatoes and corn have their eyes and ears about them.

Isay' Molly Fowler immortal? No. You fib, she is ; I'll prove her so. She's fifteen, now, and was, I know, Fifteen, full now, fifteen years ago.

WHY is a grain of sand in the eye like a schoolmaster's cane ? Because it hurts the pupil.

It has been commonly supposed that the highest office within the gift of the people is the presidency. This is a mistake. It is, in the superintendence of the weather signal station on Pike's Peak.

JESSE one day said he would make a pun upon anything his friend would put to him. Thinking to give him a poser, a friend asked him whether he could put upon the signs of the zodiac; to which he promptly replied : "I Cancer."

WHAT TO TAKE HOME.—A loving heart and a pleasant countenance are commodities which a man should never fail to take home with him. They will best season his food and soften his pillow. It were a great thing for a man that his wife and children could truly say of him : "He never brought a frown or unhappiness across his threshold."

As welcome as sunshine
In every place.

In the beaming approach
Of a good-natured face :

As genial as sunshine,
Like warmth to impart,
Like a good-natured word

From a good-natured heart.

HABITS OF BIRDS.—Some curious statistics about small birds have recently been laid before the House of Commons. The thrush is said to work from 2.30 in the morning until 9.30 in the evening, or nineteen hours. During this time he feeds his young 206 times. Blackbirds work seventeen hours. The male feeds the young 44 times and the female 55 times per day. The industrious titmouse manages to spread 417 meals a day before its voracious offspring. According to one naturalist, their food consists largely of caterpillars. The eight-hour agitation has not yet commenced among the feathered bipeds.

SALT MINES.—The salt mines of Wieliczka, Poland, are the most beautiful and on the largest scale in the world. Visitors walk over four miles in the long, open galleries, and there are many which have not been entered for years. These galleries undermine the whole town, and are places of popular amusements, where bands play, balls are given, and refreshments on every scale may be had at the buffet. A splendid chapel is fitted up in the mine, where masses are celebrated once a year; the ceiling walls, pillars, etc., are all cut out of the solid, glittering, greenish salt.

THE WORTH OF A LOCAL NEWSPAPER.—Does it ever for an instant occur to the business man that it is his solemn duty to support the local press of his neighborhood ? What is it but the well conducted newspaper that makes his city or town ? What constantly and gratuitously advertises it to the world as a place of interest or importance ? What daily or weekly makes known to the whole earth the simple fact that such a place as where he strives to gain a livelihood has existence in the skies ? It is the local paper. Now, we venture to say that not one tenth part of the business people of any city in the country spend any money in the way of judicious advertising. True, they take the paper, but it is not because they feel any duty devolving upon them to award it support. Their subscriptions are measurable of no account. If advertisements were not given by others the paper would cease to live despite the payment of subscribers. Show us a local paper well filled with advertisements and we will at once take stock in the enterprise and business tact of the people who live where the journal is published. The outside world judges more of the place by the newspaper it publishes than from any other sign. It is therefore a matter of great moment that the local journal of the city, town and village should be well supported, for it above all things contributes to the general prosperity.

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